

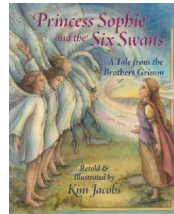
DEEP IN THE WOODS : a FOLK TALE

by Christopher Corr
When a bear accidentally crashes the roof of a home filled with woodland creatures, he must somehow put everything right.

PRINCESS SOPHIE AND THE SIX SWANS

by Kim Jacobs

A princess must rescue her six brothers from the enchantment imposed on them by their wicked stepmother.



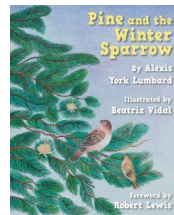
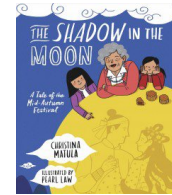
THE ORIGIN OF DAY AND NIGHT

by Paula Ikuutaq Rumbolt
In a tale from Inuit folklore, a fox and a hare take turns bringing about the day and the night so each has time to search for food.

THE SHADOW IN THE MOON

by Christina Matula

Two young sisters celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival and listen to their Ah-ma tell the ancient tale of how the holiday began.



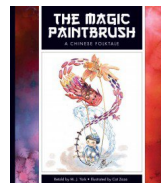
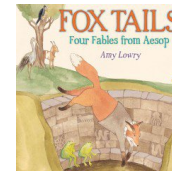
PINE AND THE WINTER SPARROW

by Alexis York Lumbard
Cherokee legend says an act of kindness toward an injured bird earned pine trees the honor of staying green all winter.

FOX TAILS

by Amy Lowry

Four of Aesop's fables are combined in this tale about three animal friends who outsmart a tricky fox.



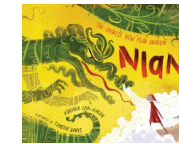
THE MAGIC PAINTBRUSH

by M. J. York

Nib sets off on an adventure to escape a greedy king who would use his magical artistic talents for his own purposes.

FABLES & FOLKLORE

RECOMMENDED PICTURE BOOKS



NIAN, THE CHINESE NEW YEAR DRAGON

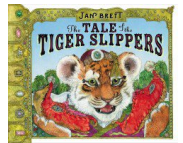
by Virginia Loh-Hagan
A young girl takes action when her village is threatened by a

dragon, in a book that also explains the background of the Chinese New Year.

THE TALE OF THE TIGER SLIPPERS

by Jan Brett

A Middle Eastern folktale finds a tiger unable to distance himself from the slippers that enabled his journey from humble origins to success.



A CATFISH TALE

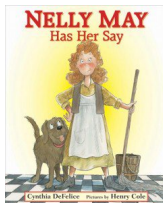
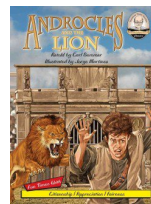
by Whitney Stewart

When Cajun fisherman Jacques encounters a magical wish-granting catfish, his wife, Jolie, wishes for many things, including a paddleboat and the title of Mardi Gras queen.

ANDROCLES AND THE LION

by Carl Sommer

Escaping slavery and befriending a lion, Androcles and the lion are recaptured, until their punishment becomes their freedom.



NELLY MAY HAS HER SAY

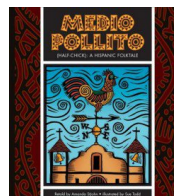
by Cynthia C. DeFelice

Nelly May Nimble takes a housekeeping job with a lord who demands she use his silly language, until a fire breaks out.

MEDIO POLLITO (HALF-CHICK)

by Amanda StJohn

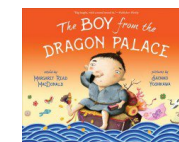
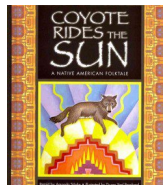
Medio Pollito, born with one eye, one wing, and one foot, learns the value of helping others after setting out on his own.



COYOTE RIDES THE SUN

by Amanda StJohn

Coyote, in love with the Sun, can never catch him as he rides across the sky.



THE BOY FROM THE DRAGON PALACE : a FOLKTALE FROM JAPAN

by Margaret Read MacDonald

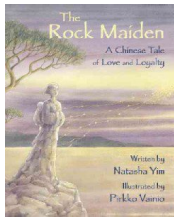
A magical boy grants a poor flower-seller's wishes until the ungrateful man grows tired of the boy's unpleasant behavior and sends him away.

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THE ROCK MAIDEN

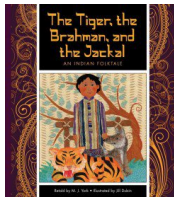
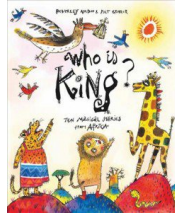
by Natasha Yim

When her husband goes missing, a new mother pleads with Tin Hau, the patron goddess of fisherman, for help.

WHO IS KING? : TEN MAGICAL STORIES FROM AFRICA

by Beverley Naidoo

Animal tales from Africa include stories about a music-playing Tortoise, a hairless Hippo and a woman with a mouse child.



THE TIGER, THE BRAHMAN, AND THE JACKAL : AN INDIAN FOLKTALE

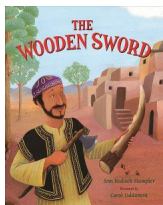
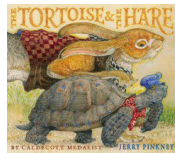
by M. J. York

A brahman Hindu saves a tiger from a trap, only for the tiger to threaten eating the man.

THE TORTOISE & THE HARE

by Jerry Pinkney

Retells the fable of the race between the tortoise and the hare, set in America's Southwest.



THE WOODEN SWORD

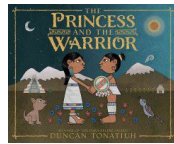
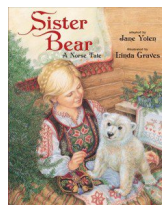
by Ann Redisch Stampler

A poor Jewish shoemaker, whose faith is tested by an Afghan shah, maintains belief that all things happen for the best.

SISTER BEAR : A NORSE TALE

by Jane Yolen

Traveling with her bear to visit the King of Denmark, they discover a pack of trolls is about to cause trouble on Christmas Eve.



THE PRINCESS AND THE WARRIOR

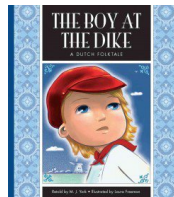
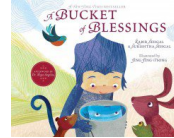
by Duncan Tonatiuh

When the warrior Popoca returns to find his love deep asleep and unable to be awoken, he stays by her side just as he promised.

A BUCKET OF BLESSINGS

by Kabir Sehgal

Monkey and his friends search for water in their drought-stricken jungle before they remember that peacocks can perform rain dances.



THE BOY AT THE DIKE

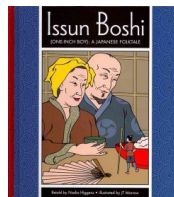
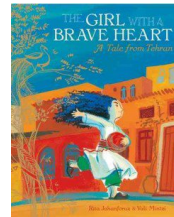
by M. J. York

One child makes a difference and saves his village by plugging a hole in a dike with his finger.

THE GIRL WITH A BRAVE HEART

by Riòtahr

After showing kindness to an old woman, Shiraz receives the gift of beauty. But her cruel stepsister's fate is less pleasant.



ISSUN BOSHI (ONE-INCH BOY)

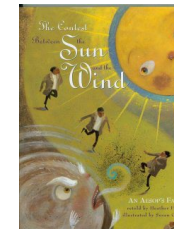
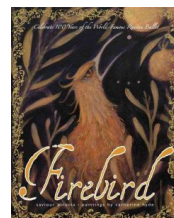
by Nadia Higgins

Tiny but capable young Issun Boshi goes to Kyoto, where he proves himself a valuable servant to kind Lord Sanjo.

FIREBIRD

by Saviour Pirotta

When a Firebird is discovered stealing the king's golden apples, young Ivan befriends a wolf and a princess while questing to capture the creature.



THE CONTEST BETWEEN THE SUN AND THE WIND : AN AESOP'S FABLE

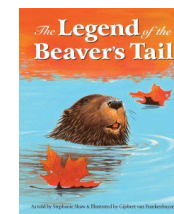
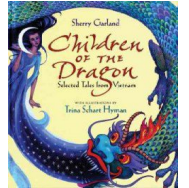
by Heather Forest

The sun and the wind test their strength by seeing which of them can cause a man to remove his coat.

CHILDREN OF THE DRAGON

by Sherry Garland

A collection of Vietnamese folktales with explanatory notes following each story.



THE LEGEND OF THE BEAVER'S TAIL

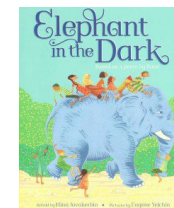
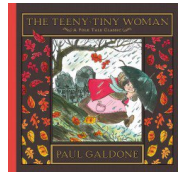
by Stephanie Shaw

Vain Beaver is proud of his silky tail, to the point where he alienates the woodland creatures with his boasting.

THE TEENY-TINY WOMAN

by Paul Galdone

When a teeny-tiny woman finds a teeny-tiny bone in the teeny-tiny churchyard, she takes it home to boil for her supper.



ELEPHANT IN THE DARK

by Mina Javaherbin

Persian villagers try to figure out what strange animal in a dark barn has arrived from India.

THE GRASSHOPPER & THE ANTS

by Jerry Pinkney

Hardworking ants stock up for the winter while a grasshopper plays all year long, until the cold weather arrives and he realizes his mistake.

